



Job Descriptions:

All DPR summer staff will work under the supervision of Year-Round Recreation personnel, who will assist them with guiding campers through a daily pre-established schedule of fun and enriching activities, while ensuring that all campers have a safe, healthy, and nurturing environment in which to spend their days.

Please choose from the following summer positions and indicate your preference in "Section 1."

Day Camp:

- **Early Childhood Camp Counselor (serving children ages 3—5)**
- **General Day Camp Counselor (serving children ages 6—12)**
All general day camps include creative arts, sports, nature exploration, technology, and other activities.
- **Nature Camp Counselor (serving children ages 7—14)**
The Nature Camps include hands-on activities ranging from gardening, creating lotions and exploration of nature.
- **Sports Camp Counselor (serving children ages 6—14)** with a focus on skill development, teambuilding, and fitness
Choose from basketball, cheerleading pompon, soccer, tennis, softball, volleyball, lacrosse, rowing, sailing, or combination sports camps.
- **Fine Arts Camp Counselor (serving children ages 12—14)**
- **Performing Arts Camp Counselor (serving children ages 12—17)**
- **Therapeutic Camp Counselor (serving special needs youth ages 6-17)**

Residential "Sleep Away" Camp

- **Residential Camp Counselor (serving children 8-13)**
Coed camp located 88 miles outside of Washington, DC. Counselors will interact with campers through fun-filled activities such as hiking, canoeing, tennis, and swimming. Counselors will spend 8 weeks on site at the camp, transportation provided.

General Positions

- Arts & Crafts Specialist
- Canoe Specialist
- Archery Specialist
- Certified Nurse
- Chef
- Cook
- Kitchen Crew
- Maintenance Crew
- Lifeguard (Must meet same requirements as general lifeguard under aquatics division)

Aquatics Positions:

- **Lifeguard I, II, & III (serving all ages)**

Below are the requirements for each level:

Lifeguard I:

- American Red Cross Lifeguard Training and First Aid
- American Red Cross CPR for the Professional Rescuer
- First time Lifeguard

Optional Certification:

American Red Cross Waterfront Lifeguard for non-surf
American Red Cross Water park Lifeguarding

Lifeguard II:

- American Red Cross CPR for the Professional Rescuer
- American Red Cross Waterfront Lifeguard for non-surf
- Minimum of two years experience at Lifeguard 1 level

Optional Certification:

American Red Cross Water park Lifeguarding

Lifeguard III:

- American Red Cross Lifeguard Training and First Aid
- American Red Cross CPR for the Professional Rescuer
- American Red Cross Waterfront Lifeguard for non-surf
- American Red Cross Water park Lifeguarding
- American Red Cross Lifeguard Management
- AED Essentials
- Minimum of two years experience at Lifeguard II level

General Positions Available:

Maintenance Personnel

Motor Vehicle Operator

Expectations of Summer Staff:

As a camp staff member you are expected to:

- Be enthusiastic and willing to be fully involved in the camp experience. Remember, you will not only be around children, but will also be living the camp experience with them.
- Create a positive, safe, and supportive environment for all campers. Our focus at camp will be on providing patience, support, guidance, and encouragement at all times.
- Act as an appropriate role model for children through your actions, language, work habits, and general conduct. Camp may be fun and exciting, but it is also a real job and, as such, you are expected to act in a professional manner.
- Be a team player and have the ability to collaborate in a professional manner with colleagues from diverse backgrounds in a way that prioritizes the needs of children.
- Have the ability to positively motivate children and other adults to achieve a common vision.

- Commit to establishing environments that foster creativity and high achievement among children.
- Have experience working with children and families with diverse backgrounds and abilities.
- Have a strong work ethic (i.e. arrive to work on time, work cooperatively with others, and stay on the job until the work is done).
- Abide by all Department policies, procedures and guidelines.

Salary:

Commensurate with experience.

Summer Employment Benefits:

A summer camp job is a wonderful opportunity to gain useful skills, meet great people, and have fun! In return for giving your time and talents to serve the City's children, you will receive the following:

- Competitive hourly wages and special staff incentives
- Opportunities to challenge yourself and develop new skills
- Opportunities to be a role model and make a difference in the lives of children
- Professional job experience and comprehensive job training
- Opportunities to set goals and work as part of a team dedicated to serving children

CONTACT US

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